**Springfield Township High School**

**Graduation Project Proposal**

A clear understanding of your research topic, project option, and implementation plan is essential for completing a successful Graduation Project. The purpose of the Graduation Project Proposal is to help you organize your thoughts as you proceed with your research and project. In paragraph form, discuss the following information and answer all relevant questions. Your Proposal should be double spaced and use 12 pt Times New Roman font.

**Note: The Proposal must be accepted by your advisor before you begin your project!**

**Project**

Briefly describe your intended project.

*What will you do? Where will you “work”/volunteer? With whom will you work/volunteer?*

I will make a sculpture. I'm going to try to make a kinetic sculpture that captures why kinetic sculptures are so important and were so revolutionary.

Project Outcome or Goal

*What products will result from your “work”/volunteerism? Describe how you will use the product in order to demonstrate your topic and experience.*

I will demonstrate why kinetic sculptures were revolutionary and influential by capturing the spirit of kinetic sculptures.

Project Completion Strategies

*How will you go about completing your project? Describe your plan for implementing and completing your project.*

I will start by sketching ideas in my sketchbook, then finalize the design and acquire the required materials and information to complete it and finally construct the piece and hope that it works.

Project Resources and Materials

*What will you need to complete your project? Describe materials, resources, people, hours, etc. that are necessary for you to complete your project.*

I don’t know what will be needed at this time, as I don’t know what I will be building yet.

**Research**

Research Topic:

*Briefly describe the topic of your research and why you chose this topic..*

I want to research kinetic sculptures and why Alexander Calder was so important to that field of art. I chose this because I am an aspiring artist who focuses on sculpture and pen drawings, much like Calder, and I find kinetic sculptures interesting.

Essential Question:

*State your essential question.*

Why are kinetic sculptures and Alexander Calder important to art?

Prior Experience:

*Have you had any prior experience(s) with this topic? If so, please describe.*

Sculpture class, I have seen many kinetic sculptures, and I have been building things for a while.

Research Benefits:

*Who or what will benefit from your research investigation?*

People interested in kinetic sculptures, engineering, artists

Potential Sources:

*List and describe potential reliable sources (people, organizations, etc.) for information about your topic. How will you contact them? What will you hope to learn from them?*

I could contact museums about Calder's work or current kinetic sculptors and ask them about why they make kinetic sculptures.